

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**
Answers to questions on notice
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Senator Chisholm, Anthony asked:

When will the Government ratify the Paris Agreement? Has there been a delay in ratification or the JSCOT inquiry process and if so, why?

Answer:

Australia ratified the Paris Agreement and the Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol on 10 November 2016.

The Government tabled the Paris Agreement and the Doha Amendment at the earliest possible date in the new Parliament. The Joint Standing Committee on Treaties recommended ratification, following the consideration of National Interest Analyses, four public hearings and almost 50 submissions.